

December 12, 2019

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
REPORT NO. 9

ALL MEMBERS PRESENT, EXCEPT LEGISLATOR DIXON.
CHAIR BASKIN PRESENT AS EX-OFFICIO MEMBER.

1. RESOLVED, the following items are hereby received and filed:
 - a. COMM. 20M-7 (2019)
RUPP BAASE PFALZGRAF CUNNINGHAM LLC.: “Copy of Letter to US DOJ Regarding United States v. Tonawanda Coke Corp.”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - b. COMM. 21E-6 (2019)
COMPTROLLER: “Letter to County Executive Regarding Disposal of County Envelopes”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - c. COMM. 21E-15 (2019)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE: “Appointment to the Commission on the Status of Women”
(4-0) Chair Baskin not present for vote.
 - d. COMM. 22E-3 (2019)
COMPTROLLER: “Letter to County Attorney Regarding Settlement Payment”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - e. COMM. 23D-2 (2019)
DEPT. OF LAW: “Transmittal of New Claims Against Erie County”
(Chair’s Ruling)
 - f. COMM. 25E-4 (2019)
COMPTROLLER: “Law Department Spending, October 2019”
(Chair’s Ruling)
2. COMM. 25E-6 (2019)
COUNTY EXECUTIVE
WHEREAS, the County is required under its Collective Bargaining Agreements to provide an Employee Assistance Program (“EAP”); and

WHEREAS, the County’s current contract with Employee Resources, Inc. expired on July 15, 2019; and

WHEREAS, Employee Resources, Inc. provided interim bridging EAP services to the County through December 31, 2019 during the RFP process for a new EAP provider; and

WHEREAS, the administration conducted a request for proposals for the EAP and received three responses from firms; and

WHEREAS, the Review Committee analyzed the responses and selected eviCore Employee Assistance Program (“eviCore EAP”) as the lowest responsible bidder; and

WHEREAS, the respondent will provide the EAP service at a lower rate than the current contract.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT

RESOLVED, the Erie County Legislature hereby waives the procedures, as impractical, provided for in Section 19.08 of the Erie County Administrative Code for purposes of securing the services of Employee Resources, Inc. to be retained to provide EAP services during the bridging period from July 15, 2019 and December 31, 2019; and be it further

RESOLVED, the contract with Employee Resources Inc. (Legal Document Number 14-552-Pe) be amended with an end date of December 31, 2019 and authorization payment of \$14,709.00 for services rendered from July 15, 2019 and December 31, 2019 while the RFP process was ongoing; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Department of Law is authorized to develop and the Erie County Department of Personnel is authorized to enter in to a contract with eviCore EAP for the administration of the EAP for the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2023, with the option for three, one-year extensions at the discretion of the County; and be it further

RESOLVED, that funds for this contract are available in the Department of Personnel’s Budget in Funds Center 16110, Account 516020, Professional Fees and Services; and be it further

RESOLVED, that certified copies of this resolution shall be transmitted to the County Executive, Department of Law, Department of Personnel, Division of Budget and Management, and Office of the Comptroller.
(5-0)

KEVIN R. HARDWICK
CHAIR